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Subject:

Horace Kornegay has just told me that the opinion of the Comptroller General of the United States to the effect that the Consumer Products Safety Commission has no authority over cigarettes will be inserted in the Congressional Record by Senator Ervin on Monday, April 22.

In view of this development, I wonder whether we might add the following paragraph to Mr. Cullman's remarks for the annual meeting at page 15 immediately following the reference to the New York City cigarette taxes:

> "Another significant development has just occurred. The Comptroller General of the United States has just ruled that the Consumer Products Safety Commission -- a new federal agency which had been petitioned to ban cigarettes with more than a specified "tar" delivery -- has no jurisdiction to impose such regulations. The Comptroller General's opinion was inserted in the Congressional Record by Senator Ervin of North Carolina on Monday of this week."

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